EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. In 2002, the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act was passed to help states and communities around the country cleanup and revitalize brownfields sites. Under this law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Cleanup Grants

\$400,000 for hazardous substances

EPA has selected the Blugold Real Estate Foundation Inc. for two brownfields cleanup grants. Hazardous substances grant funds will be used to clean up the former County Materials Corporation properties at 1061 and 1111 Menomonie Street in Eau Claire. The 13.2-acre site at 1016 Menomonie Street and 7.8-acre site at 1111 Menomonie Street were formerly used for offices, warehousing, and retail sales of manufactured products, including concrete blocks. They are contaminated with arsenic, selenium, and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons. Grant funds for both sites also will be used to conduct community involvement activities.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields Web site (http://www.epa.gov/brownfields).

EPA Region 5 Brownfields Team (312) 886-9493 EPA Region 5 Brownfields Web site (https://www.epa.gov/brownfields/brownfields-and-land-revitalization-illinois-ind iana-michigan-minnesota-ohio-and)

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